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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: KEITARO YONEZAWA  
 SERIAL NO.: 10/542,318

FILED: July 13, 2005

FOR: CLAMPING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING  
 SYSTEM USING THE SAME

CONFIRMATION NO. 2692

GROUP ART UNIT: 3723

EXAMINER: WILSON, Lee D.

ATTY. REFERENCE: YONE3018/JJC/PMB



## COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

*Sir:*

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.  
 No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity	Full Fee
Total Claims	25	- 25 <sup>1</sup>	= 0 <sup>3</sup>	× \$ 25 =	× \$ 50 =
Independent Claims	2	- 3 <sup>2</sup>	= 0 <sup>3</sup>	× \$100 =	× \$ 200 =
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Proper Multiple Dependent Claim				+ \$180 =	+ \$360 =
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<sup>1</sup> If less than 20 enter 20.

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 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 02-0200**.  
 Also enclosed is/are:

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DATE: January 26, 2007

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<b>First Inventor:</b>	Keitaro Yonezawa	<b>Customer No.:</b>	23364
<b>Attorney No.:</b>	YONE3018/JJC/PMB	<b>Confirm. No.:</b>	2692
<b>For:</b>	<b>CLAMPING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING SYSTEM USING THE SAME</b>		

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated September 28, 2006 in the above application.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.